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Approval of the Amended USG Faculty Council Bylaws

Submitted by: Patricia Humphrey

10/20/2008

Motion:

That Georgia Southern University join the University System of Georgia Faculty Council (USGFC) and ratify these USGFC Bylaws: Dr. Michael Moore (COE) moved that Georgia Southern University join the University System of Georgia Faculty Council, USGFC, and ratify the USGFC Bylaws. These Bylaws were linked to the agenda, and distributed with the agenda.

Rationale(s):

Response:

One agenda item request for a motion by Pat Humphrey, titled Approval of Amended USG Faculty Council Bylaws, was not approved for inclusion on the agenda because several SEC members noted the need for clarification in several elements of those Bylaws so they could be explained to Senators prior to their consideration. Of special concern was Section IV, Voting, #3: "Any decisions or recommendations by the USGFC must receive majority approval from each of the three institutional tiers research, four-year and two-year school) groupings." The SEC wasn't clear in which tier GSU belongs, nor sure whether two research tier schools—UGA, Georgia State, Tech and the Medical College of Georgia—voting against a measure approved by all of the other system schools would constitute defeat of the measure. A number of things needed clarification before the SEC would bring the item before the senate.